

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (Previously Presented) A method of reducing, retarding or otherwise inhibiting the functional activity of HIV, which HIV has infected a mammalian host cell, said method comprising administering to said mammal an effective amount of HMA or DMA for a time and under conditions sufficient to down-regulate a membrane ion channel functional activity of said host cell.

2. (Original) The method according to claim 1 wherein said membrane ion channel is a Vpu ion channel.

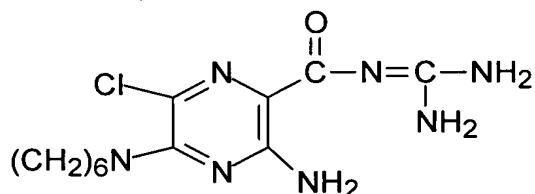
3. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 wherein said HIV functional activity is HIV replication.

4. (Original) The method according to claim 3 wherein said host cell is macrophage.

5. (Original) The method according to claim 3 wherein said host cell is a monocyte.

6. - 8. (Canceled).

9. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 1 wherein said HMA comprises the structure.

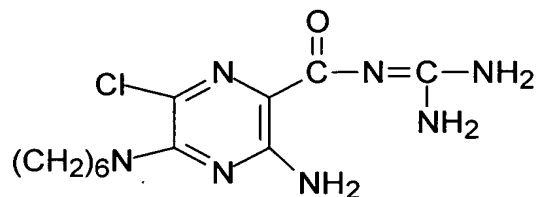




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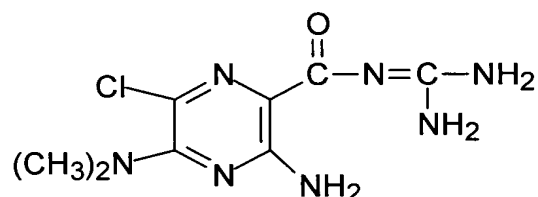
33. (Canceled).

34. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 30 wherein said HMA comprises the structure:



35. (Canceled).

36. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 30 wherein said DMA comprises the structure:



37. - 57. (Canceled).

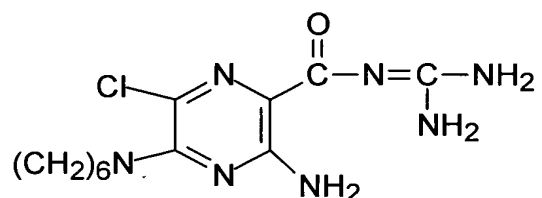
58. (Previously Presented) A method of reducing, retarding or otherwise inhibiting the functional activity of HIV, which HIV has infected a mammalian host cell, said method comprising administering to said mammal an effective amount of HMA or DMA for a time and under conditions sufficient to reduce, retard or otherwise inhibit the functional activity of HIV in said host cell.

59. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 58, wherein said HIV functional activity is HIV replication.

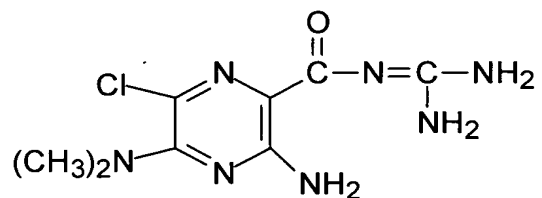
60. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 59, wherein said host cell is a macrophage.

61. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 59, wherein said host cell is a monocyte.

62. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 58, wherein said HMA comprises the structure:

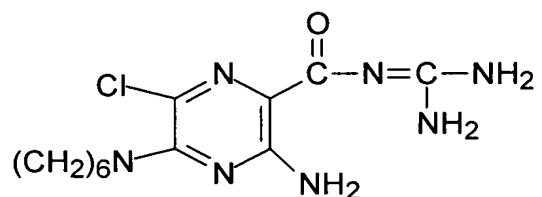


63. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 58, wherein said DMA comprises the structure:

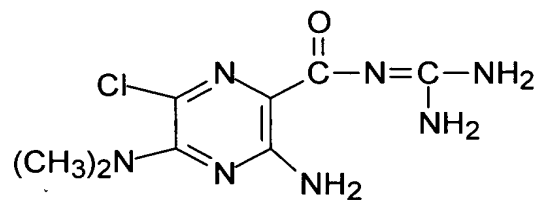


64. (Previously Presented) A method for the treatment and/or prophylaxis of HIV infection or AIDS in a mammal, said method comprising administering to said mammal an effective amount of HMA or DMA.

65. (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 64, wherein said HMA comprises the structure:



66: (Previously Presented) The method according to claim 64, wherein said DMA comprises the structure:



67. - 69. (Canceled).